

## ELECTION IN PANAMA QUIET AND ORDERLY

Buchanan Says Voting Was Without Excitement.

## OLYMPIA AT CARTAGENA

American Officers Were Received in Friendly Way by Authorities of Colombian City.

Last night the State Department received a dispatch from Minister Buchanan at Panama, saying that never before had there been so peaceful an election as that which has just taken place for delegates to the constitutional convention of the new republic. The dispatch does not state the results of the election, but it is taken for granted that the successful candidates were those nominated by the junta.

Arthur M. Beaupre, the United States minister to Colombia, will sail from Colon today for the United States on the steamer Yucatan. Mr. Beaupre, accompanied by his wife, arrived at Colon from Cartagena yesterday on the United States cruiser Olympia. Mr. and Mrs. Beaupre left Bogota early last week. They sailed from Cartagena on Sunday.

Colombians Friendly.

The Olympia was received at Cartagena in a friendly spirit by the Colombians, who avoided making any unnecessary display of good will toward the officers of the United States cruiser. Admiral Coghlan, Captain Harrison, and S. O. Colby made the customary official visit to Governor Insignares. They were followed to the palace by an orderly and quiet crowd.

Governor Insignares and his staff returned the visit on board the Olympia on Sunday afternoon. The officers of the Olympia obtained little information concerning war preparations. There are said to be from 3,500 to 5,000 soldiers at Cartagena yesterday at Barranquilla. Military forces are being gathered at Barranquilla and moved toward the military base at Titumati.

Rear Admiral Joseph B. Coghlan, commanding the naval forces at Colon, Isthmus of Panama, cables the Navy Department from that place under yesterday's date as follows:

"Olympia arrived with Minister Beaupre and wife. Very pleasant reception."

## BELIEF IN VAMPIRES PROMPTS AWFUL DEED

Woman's Body Terribly Mutilated to Prevent Her From Revisiting the Earth.

BUDAPEST, Dec. 28.—A dreadful case of superstition has just been brought to light in Hungary, where the peasants of the Lower Danube provinces still believe in vampires. It is commonly believed that certain persons, after their death, have the power to leave their graves at night and suck the blood of living persons.

To prevent this the peasants perform horrible ceremonies on the corpse before burying it. Recently a woman died who was reputed to be a witch. Some peasants entered the dead woman's cottage and after making a fire of hot iron they plunged it through her heart; the mouth they filled with a broken horseshoe and other scraps of iron. The corpse was then placed in the coffin face downward.

It was only after the burial that the police learned of this ghastly ceremony, and are taking steps to punish the guilty. It also transpires that the ceremonies are often violated, suspicious corpses being exhumed by the ignorant peasantry and similar atrocities committed.

## SHAW REFUSES PETITION OF BOSTON MERCHANTS

BOSTON, Dec. 28.—Secretary of the Treasury Shaw today gave a hearing to a number of merchants of Boston at the custom house on their protest against the abolishment of the system of "release bonds" which has been in operation here thirty years.

The hearing ended with the condition of affairs in the same state as before. The Secretary declined to recede from his position in ordering the release bonds abolished.

## EXPENSE OF BURIAL ASSUMED BY CHURCHES

The funeral of Parker Gardiner, of Albany, who died at the Home for the Blind on Christmas Day, will be held tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. The police have been unable to find any trace of the man's family, and the expense of the burial will be borne by local churches.

Gardiner obtained lodging at the mission on Christmas Eve, and gave his address as Albany. He was taken suddenly ill the following day, and died shortly after the arrival of a physician. Communication with the Albany police failed to result in throwing any light upon his history.

## COL. J. W. ANDREWS DIES AT ORANGE, VA.

Col. John W. Andrews, U. S. A., retired, is dead at Orange, Va. Colonel Andrews was graduated from West Point in 1880. He was a civil war veteran, having served through the conflict with distinction.

Colonel Andrews was given a commission as colonel in 1895, and served for a short time in the Spanish war as a brigadier general of volunteers. He was retired in 1899 at his own request.

## AMERICAN MISSIONARY KILLED IN MASSACRE

Ernest Lyon, United States minister to Liberia, had submitted a report to the State Department concerning the murder of John G. Tate, an American missionary, at Nanna Kroo, Liberia, on March 15, 1931. Mr. Tate was murdered by natives, who also killed eighteen other persons. A tribal feud caused the massacre.

## DEATH RATE ADVANCES WITH COLDER WEATHER

Lack of Clothing and Fuel Results in Many Deaths From Pneumonia and Diphtheria.

## PNEUMONIA KILLS 139 IN A WEEK IN CHICAGO

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—With pneumonia establishing a new death record in Chicago, and the county hospital so crowded that patients are sleeping on mattresses on the floor, and less serious cases being turned away, a serious problem confronts the Chicago health authorities.

The many varieties of weather from which the city has suffered in the last week is blamed not only for the many pneumonia deaths, but for the crowding of the hospital in another way. Within the last few days an unusual number of persons, injured by falls on icy sidewalks, have been taken to the county institution, and though a new emergency ward has been opened, all cannot be cared for properly.

Last week's alarming increase in deaths from pneumonia is made the subject of the latest health bulletin. In the seven days ending Saturday pneumonia claimed 139 victims in Chicago, or 27 per cent of the total mortality.

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## ACRE DISPUTE DETAILS FROM MINISTER SORSBY

American Diplomatist Reports on Settlement Arrived at by South American Countries.

William B. Sorsby, United States minister to Bolivia, has sent to the State Department from La Paz a dispatch concerning the settlement of the Acre dispute.

"Bolivia congress," Thursday ratified treaty with Brazil. The treaty provides for Brazil to pay indemnities of \$1,000,000 March, 1935. Concede a small strip of territory north of Muro, Brazil, embracing Bahia Negra and a port opposite Coloma, on Paraguri River. Assume all responsibility respecting Peruvian contentions. Acre territory conceded by Bolivia. Build railroad for common use respective countries from San Antonio, on Madeira River, to Cuadras, on Mamore River. Concede free navigation Amazon and Bolivian affluents. Individual Acre claims to be submitted mixed commission, with umpire chosen from diplomatic representation to Brazil."

## FLORIDA IS PUSHING FOR ISTHMIAN CANAL

Jacksonville Board of Trade Will Take Action Today.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 28.—The Jacksonville Board of Trade, embracing all the important business influences in the city in its membership, has called a special meeting for today to pass resolutions in favor of the ratification of the Panama Canal treaty and to ask the Florida Senators to "stand pat" and vote for its ratification.

The Pensacola Board of Trade adopted such resolutions a few days ago, and other towns in the State having organized commercial bodies will do likewise. The feeling throughout the State is in favor of the treaty by an overwhelming majority.

## SMALLPOX DECREASES FOR CALENDAR YEAR

In the course of the year just closing there were 13,729 cases of smallpox in the United States resulting in 69 deaths. These figures show a considerable decrease, as compared with those for the same period of 1932, when the cases numbered 15,553, and the deaths 82.

To date there have been seventeen cases of bubonic plague, all of them fatal in San Francisco, this year, as against forty-one cases in 1932.

## COL. ROBERT L. MEADE ON THE RETIRED LIST

In accordance with President Roosevelt's order, Col. Robert L. Meade, of the Marine Corps, has been placed on the retired list.

Colonel Meade desired to be retired as a brigadier general, but what is said to have been an impertinent note, written in the regard to the purchase of the Secretary of the Navy to grant the request, resulted in his immediate retirement with the rank of colonel.

## \$2,500 HIGHEST PRICE PAID FOR LOCAL EXCHANGE SEAT

R. H. Lynn, cashier of the American National Bank of Washington, today became a member of the Washington Stock Exchange, by purchasing the seat of John B. Harris, for \$2,500. This sum is the highest ever given for a place on the local exchange, and has been paid only once before. The last seat to be disposed of before Mr. Lynn's purchase today was to Daniel Fraser, of the Central National Bank, for \$2,450.

## NEW YORK LIMITED CRASHES INTO FREIGHT

Engineer and Fireman Reported Killed at Larwill in Wreck on Pennsylvania Railroad.

FORT WAYNE, Ind., Dec. 28.—It is reported here that passenger train No. 5 on the Pennsylvania Railroad was wrecked at Larwill, this morning, about 6 o'clock.

The engineer and fireman were instantly killed and are under the wreck. As far as known no passengers were killed or injured.

The train is the "New York Limited" and ran into a freight train, head-on.

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## EXPERIMENT STATIONS VALUE IS RECOGNIZED

Japan, Great Britain, Germany, and Russia Rapidly Falling Into American Ideas of Agriculture.

Foreign nations are rapidly waking to the advantages of making liberal appropriations for agricultural colleges and experiment stations, according to A. C. True, director of the office of experiment stations of the Agricultural Department.

In Japan the fund available for research into agricultural questions is \$91,920. So successful has the work become in the past few years that the ministry of agriculture and commerce has drawn deductions enabling it to limit expenditures to the central agricultural experiment station and three sub-stations, instead of to nine sub-stations.

There are now fewer stations and more limited lines of work, but the labor is being prosecuted more intelligently and with better results.

Great Britain has long recognized the value of experiment stations among her dependencies, for the stations have developed industries which have added millions of dollars to the wealth of the empire. The latest station is that established in Rhodesia, South Africa. An independent department of agriculture has been created for that dependency, with a chief, an agriculturalist, a register of brands, a chief veterinarian, five assistants, and a staff of clerks.

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## BEGGARS IN COMBINE TO CHEAT PARISIANS

Gang Met in Morning to Receive Orders and at Night to Distribute Receipts.

PARIS, Dec. 28.—Claude Berthet, aged sixty-three, a veteran criminal, who has more than a score of convictions to his name, was arrested recently by the Paris police on a charge of begging and obtaining money by false pretenses.

His arrest has led to some curious revelations. Berthet, it appears, was the chief of a band of professional mendicants, whose headquarters was in the vicinity of that home of learning, the Sorbonne. In the morning the members of the gang used to meet to receive their orders for the day. One would take the Champs Elysees quarter, another would work the Parc Monceau, and others would go in various directions all over the city. At night they would meet again in a bar in the Rue St. Jacques, and the day's takings would be pooled and divided among them.

On good days each beggar would make \$5, and sometimes more. A list of persons charitably disposed, with the amount usually given, was kept by the secretary of the corporation, and the best educated members of the band were allotted the task of writing letters of a pathetic and appealing nature, describing in touching terms the misery and suffering of those who presented them. The band included both men and women, and where the male mendicants were unsuccessful the women would try their fortune later.

When hunger and the hardships of winter failed to induce these strings of his clients, Berthet did not hesitate to declare that he had not a sou with which to bury his poor mother in the provinces, and one day he received \$40 for the purpose of erecting a cross upon her grave.

## NICARAGUAN MINISTER EXPECTED THIS EVENING

Senor Don Luis F. Corea, the Nicaraguan minister, who returned to Washington from Central America Wednesday, went immediately to the State Department to discuss the important business of a private character. He is expected here this evening, when he will resume charge of the legation, after an absence of six weeks.

Senor Corea's visit to Mobile is said to be in connection with the fruit trade between that port and Nicaragua.

## CANNON FACTORY BURNED.

ST. DENIS, France, Dec. 28.—Fire this morning partly destroyed the Hotchkiss cannon factory.

## MAN SLAIN IN FIGHT; BODY FOUND FROZEN

Two Bullet Holes in Back of Head Make Theory of Suicide Untenable.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—The body of a slain man has been found in the dense woods on the Richmond Gun Club grounds, on the Cove road, West Brighton, Staten Island, by Peter Britton, a hunter.

The body was frozen. In the back of the head were two bullet holes, made by a revolver of small caliber, and he had evidently been dead for some hours. He wore a gray overcoat, a winter serge suit, comparatively new gray woolen underclothing and button shoes.

The man was of dark complexion, had dark brown hair, was clean shaven, and appeared to be about thirty-two years old. He was five feet seven and one-half inches high and weighed probably 175 pounds.

The only thing found in his clothing was 25 cents. Everything about the man's clothing and general appearance indicated that he was of good station in life.

The police are inclined to believe that the man is the victim of a murder. Later a .22-caliber revolver was found a short distance from the body.

A story was in circulation in the neighborhood that duel had been fought. Some mysterious carriages were seen by several persons in the vicinity, and shots were heard by some who live in that locality. The police are certain that the officers of the New York National Guard believe that two men sought the solitude of the gloomy woods in the early morning to settle some difficulty.

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## BIG PRESIDENTIAL BEE IN R. OLNEY'S BONNET

Though Refusing to Be Interviewed, He Tells His Friends to Boom Him for the Presidency.

BOSTON, Dec. 28.—The Hon. Richard Olney is a candidate for the Democratic Presidential nomination. He has consented to allow his friends to boom his name, for they tell him he will never have a better opportunity to gain the nomination and that the chances of a New England candidate being elected were never better.

Mr. Olney declines to be interviewed. To all inquiries made by reporters, he replies, "I have nothing to say." But he has told the Democratic leaders of this State to go ahead and launch his boom.

To the Hon. John S. Williams, the minority leader of the House, Mr. Olney has also confided his ambitions, and has gained the Representative's support, with assurances that a large part of the South will be for him in the convention.

Mr. Olney has been gradually showing renewed interest in politics since the decline of Bryanism, and his presence at the Tammany dinner in New York on next Monday is taken as an indication of future activity in Democratic affairs. It is reported here that he has the support of his old chief, Grover Cleveland.

## FIGHTING TAMMANY'S "WIDE-OPEN" POLICY

Gotham Churches Join Temperance Societies in Crusade of Resistance—Three Definite Objects.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Measures to combat any policy that may be adopted by the incoming Tammany administration which will result in wider open saloons have been taken by the churches and temperance organizations of New York. About thirty representatives met in the rooms of the National Temperance Society to map out a campaign.

It was arranged to appoint three committees, each to have charge of one of the following movements:

To oppose the effort now being made to open the saloons on Sunday.

To combat attacks on temperance instruction in the public schools.

To fight the proposal to restore the caucuses in the army.

The Rev. Dr. David Stewart Dodge, who presided, said at this time, when the foes of temperance are especially active, it was necessary for all the churches to co-operate to prevent the opening of saloons on Sunday.

## HOMELESS KITTEN SAVES MAN'S LIFE

Chilled Animal's Mewing Attracts Doctors to the Unconscious Form in Street.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 28.—Seeking shelter from the intense cold of last night, a homeless kitten crept under the feet of an intoxicated man who had fallen helpless in the shadow of the stone wall around the Girard College grounds, near Twenty-second Street and Girard Avenue.

There was little warmth in the inert form, but the kitten, which huddled closely to the man's breast and mewed loudly.

Doctors Kiesel and Combs, of the German Hospital staff, were attracted by the wailing of the animal as they were hurrying toward the hospital. They traced the sound and found the man with the kitten under his coat.

After vain efforts to arouse him the physicians carried both man and kitten into the hospital. The man was badly frost-bitten and doubtless soon would have frozen to death had the attention of the physicians not been attracted to his plight by the kitten. He was still senseless early this morning.

The kitten required only doses of hot milk and a place close to a steam radiator to make it all right.

## EXPERIMENTS ON MICE SHOW RADIUM'S EFFECTS

Fur Dropped Off, and Afterward Came Out Again in a White Color.

PARIS, Dec. 28.—Dr. Roux of the Pasteur Institute has reported to the Academy of Sciences the result of experiments he has made with radium. He says he hung a tube of radium in a cage containing mice, and that after twenty days the animals lost their fur, which subsequently came out again, but was increased in exposure resulted in paralyzing the mice.

## TWO FOUND FROZEN IN KENTUCKY HILLS

MIDDLEBORO, Ky., Dec. 28.—Tim Thompson was found frozen to death on Sunday in a cabin several miles from here. Thompson was on his way home from town and it is supposed he was overtaken by the blizzard of Saturday night.

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## DIED.

CHALMERS—On Monday evening, December 28, 1933, Major LEIGH CHALMERS, examiner, Department of Justice, formerly of Austin, Tex. Funeral at 2 p.m. Wednesday, December 30, at 932 New York Avenue. Funeral and interment private.

EVARS—At her residence, in Winchester, Va., on Sunday, December 27, 1933, HELEN MARY EVARS, widow of William W. Evars, in the eighty-fourth year of her age. Funeral at St. Paul's Church, Winchester, Va., on Tuesday, December 29, 1933, at 11 a.m.

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